

Shipping.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A 1 French Clipper-boat
"ARON C. LEBLANC"
Capt. LAPARTY, 5,000
pavils carrying capacity, (daily
expected at Macao from Saigon.)
Apply to
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.,
Agents for Arc en Ciel.
Hongkong, February 18, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
(Australia Preferred.)
The A 1 Brit. Clipper-boat
"CLARA SAYER,"
293 Tons Register, J. BRENNAN,
Master, built by Hall, Aberdeen.
Apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A 1 British Ship
"NETVILLE,"
715 Tons Register.
Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

Notices to Consignees.

"BELTED WILL," FROM LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at the Consignees' risk and expense.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

"CARMARTHENSIRE," FROM LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN," FROM MANILA.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named Vessel, please send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
We have authorized Mr. CLARA BUDDE to sign our firm from this date.
DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE established myself in business as Merchant and Commission agent, under the style or firm of KHAKKE MAHOMED & Co.
KHAKKE MAHOMED KUTCHRA.
Hongkong, February 1, 1868. mar2

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. T. K. KRAMER, in our firm, ceased on the 31st December, 1867.
SANDER & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 20fe

NOTICE.
MESSRS. H. P. M. WACHTEL and H. ALPHE URMANS ceased to be Partners in our firm since the 31st December ultimo.
GAYMANS & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1868. 13ar

NOTICE.
DURING the absence of Mr. J. H. LADD from the Colony, Mr. T. CUSHING LADD is authorized to sign our firm per pro-curation.
LADD & Co.
Hongkong, January 16, 1868. 14

NOTICE.
DURING the absence of Mr. SHERRIFF KURIM from the Colony, Mr. KHAKKE MAHOMED KUTCHRA is authorized to sign our firm per pro-curation.
SHERIFF & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 14ar2

NOTICE.
MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is authorized to sign our name at Canton from this date.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, February 15, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of SUJUBHAY KURIM and HORVATZ DORABEE BHASOCHA in our firm, ceased on 31st December, 1867.
SHERIFF & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1868. mar2

NOTICE.
MY Business, as Ship and Insurance Broker, Commission agent, &c. hitherto carried on by myself, will henceforward be conducted under the style or firm of J. S. HOOK, Son & Co.
J. S. HOOK.
Hongkong, September 23, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR. THOMAS FYKE has this day been admitted a Partner in our firm.
BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Underigned having disposed of their Business as Shipwright, &c. to Messrs J. McDONALD & Co., and being about to leave the Colony, request all parties having any CLAIMS against them to send them in for payment on or before the 10th instant, and all parties INDEBTED to the firm are requested to make immediate payment.
ROSS THOMPSON & Co.
Spring Gardens, February 1, 1868.

REFERING to the above, we beg to inform the Public that we have taken over the Business of Messrs ROSS THOMPSON & Co., and trust by strict attention to Business to merit the patronage of the Community.
J. McDONALD & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 22mar

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
AS my Engagement ceases in May next, all outstanding Accounts for the past Two Years must be sent in immediately for payment.
MARY HASTLOW RANDLE,
Superintendent.
Diocesan School,
Hongkong, January 2, 1868. 16my

NOTICE.
MR. JOHN HOW CHEVERTON is authorized to sign our firm per pro-curation.
ALFRED WILKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A. D. MITCHELL in our firm, ceased on the 31st day of December, 1867.
A. FERGUSON & Co.
Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company at this Port.
S. L. PHELPS,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A. D. MITCHELL in our firm, ceased on the 31st day of November, 1866.
A. FERGUSON & Co.
Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Business will be henceforth carried on under the same Name by the Underigned.
A. D. MITCHELL,
J. D. MEYERS, and
HENRY FEHR.
Hongkong, December 10, 1867. de 16-68

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ARNOLD, KARBRO & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Office, and spacious Godowns.
Possession to be had on the 1st March.
Apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET.
N. O. 3, PECHILI TERRACE,
Elgin Street.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

TO LET.
N. O. 5, Pechili Terrace, Elgin Street.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

TO LET.
THE Premises situated in Queen's Road, Stanley Street, and at present occupied by Messrs H. MARSH & Co.
For particulars, apply to
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

TO LET.
HOSE two convenient centrally situated HOUSES Nos. 1 and 2, Old Bailey Street, Corner of Hollywood Road.
Terms moderate.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham St.
Hongkong, February 22, 1868. 22mar

TO LET.
A N unfurnished airy ROOM, in the best part of Wyndham Street. View of the harbour.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
No. 53, Wyndham St.
Hongkong, February 21, 1868. 6mar

TO LET.
A DESIRABLE RESIDENCE in West Terrace, Cause Road.
Also,
Two Commodious HOUSES in Stanley Street, suitable for Business Premises, or otherwise.
Rents moderate.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham St.
Hongkong, February 21, 1868. 6mar

TO LET.
A HOUSE in Queen's Road, commanding a good view of the Harbour from the North side. The House contains eight good Rooms with Bath Rooms, Verandahs, front and back, Kitchens, Servants' Rooms and Godowns on ground floor.
Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 8, 1868.

TO LET.
AN OFFICE with Godown and Commodious Room.
Apply to
MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, October 1, 1866.

TO LET.
WO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.
Apply to
GAVIN THOMPSON,
at GRB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s.
Hongkong, December 16, 1867. 14

TO LET.
A LARGE ROOM fronting the Queen's Road, suitable for either an Office or a Shop.
Apply at the
MEDICAL HALL,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, September 20, 1867.

TO LET.
THE PREMISES situated at Fadder's Wharf, lately occupied by Messrs AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January 1868.
For further particulars, apply to
THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, December 30, 1867.

TO LET.
LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.
THE Underigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
FURNISHED or unfurnished OFFICES in BANK BUILDINGS, immediately opposite the Hotel Company's Premises.
Also,
Coach HOUSE and STABLING for 5 Horses, situated on the Robinson Road; Water and Gas laid on, with the use of an Enclosed Grazing Paddock adjoining.
For further particulars, apply to
MR. EDMUND SHARP,
Solicitor.
Hongkong, August 20, 1867.

TO LET.
A N be had in First Class Granite Godowns at Wandai, on very moderate Terms.
For particulars, apply to
CHARLES RIVINGTON,
At Messrs LANDSTEIN & Co.'s Office,
Stanley Street.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

TO LET.
THE FIRST FLOOR of the House No. 94, Queen's Road Central, corner of Graham Street, consisting of three spacious Rooms, Verandah and Outhouses, well adapted for Offices.
Apply to
WM. SCHMIDT & Co.
Gunsamers.
Hongkong, October 2, 1867.

TO BE LET.
A SHOP, situated in the best part of the Queen's Road, with Show Cases and Fittings complete.
N.B.—Two First Floor Rooms can be had with above, if required.
Address "Z," care of Hongkong Dispensary.
Hongkong, November 28, 1867.

TO LET.
FOUR Large ROOMS on Second Floor above the Offices of the Underigned, 44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by Messrs C. HOOK & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1868.
For Terms, &c., apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

TO LET.
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs ELMENHORST & SANDERS.
For particulars, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET.
THE Dwelling HOUSE in the Albany at present occupied by Mr. N. R. MARSON. Occupation can be had in a few weeks. Application can be made to Mr. MARSON at the Albany.
Hongkong, September 25, 1867.

TO LET.
THE extensive and eligible PREMISES, at the corner of Hollywood Road and Shelley Street, lately in the occupation of H. M. Government.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, September 4, 1867.

TO LET.
TWO HOUSES on Carlton Terrace, Spring Gardens, with or without Godowns, rent moderate.
Apply to
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1867.

New Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.
The Steamship
"DOUGLAS"
Captain PITMAN, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

CONSIGNEES of the undermentioned GOODS are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, otherwise they will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense:
A. E. M. 2 cases Merchandize.
G. H. & Co. (in dia.) 50 cases Wine.
R. 22 bundles Yellow Metal Rods.
D. & Co. 1 case Merchandize.
C. D. 6 cases Merchandize.
J. D. S. (in dia.) 5 pkgs. Do.
W. B. 1 box Wearing Apparel.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

HONGKONG CLUB.
AN Extraordinary General MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held at the Club House, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of March next, at 5 P.M.
The object of the Meeting is explained in the Notice hung up in the Club for the information of Members.
By order of the General Committee,
GEORGE B. AYLMORE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 28, 1868. 9ma

EX "SERICA."
COMPLETE Set of Wheatstone's Telegraph APPARATUS.
Mountain BAROMETERS.
Gay Lussac's Syphon BAROMETERS.
Improved Patent Differential BAROMETERS.
Anoroid BAROMETERS, divided to 1,000 of an inch.
STORM GLASSES.
Pocket Prismatic AZIMUTH COMPASSES, in Sling Cases.
Pocket SEXTANTS.
SUN DIALS.
ALTAZIMUTHS.
Camera's LUCIDA.
HYDROMETERS.
SALINOMETERS.
HYGROMETERS.
PEDOMETERS.
Patent LOGS.
VACUUM GAUGES.
Self Registering THERMOMETERS.
Dewy Sea Sounding THERMOMETERS.
THERMOMETERS for Superheated STEAM.
Nautical ALMANACS for 1868-69.
And,
A small Consignment of PIANOS and HARMONIUMS.
GEORGE FALCONER & Co.
Hongkong, February 28, 1868. 13fe

New Advertisements.

EX "SIR LANCELOT."
BOOTS, from Burrows of Cookham, for Ladies, Gentlemen and Children.
HATS and HELMETS, from Ellwood and Christy.
Also,
Kid GLOVES, Lisle Thread and Cotton SOCKS, all the new shape COLLARS, Eureka SHIRTS, Cambrie HAND-CHIEFS, Light Summer TWEEDS and FLANNELS, Turkish Bath TOWELS, Bath SPONGES, Hindrie's Choice PEPPERMINTS, 11th Vol. LONDON SOCIETY, &c., &c.
S. W. BAKER & Co.
Hongkong, February 13, 1868. 20fe

EX "AYON" & "SIR LANCELOT."
CHAMPAGNE, First Quality in Pints and Quarts.
Apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1868. 16mar

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!!
SELLING OFF!!!
GREAT SACRIFICES!!!
SPLENDID BARGAINS!!!
MULLER & CLAUSSEN
OFF their stocks of the undermentioned GOODS at Invoice prices, consisting of—
Black Cloth Dress FROCK and Walking COATS.
Melton and Angola Walking, Shooting and SAC COATS.
Melton and Witney YACHT JACKETS and OVER COATS.
Alpaca and Merino COATS.
Black Dress TROUSERS.
Fancy Backskin, Angola and Tweed TROUSERS.
Alpaca and Merino TROUSERS.
White and Colored Linen TROUSERS.
Black Dress VESTS.
Buckskin and Angola VESTS.
Merino and Alpaca VESTS.
White Macella and Linen VESTS.
Colored Linen VESTS.

A large lot of PIECE GOODS, comprising—
Black and Blue Broad CLOTHS and DOCK KINS.
MELTONS, BUCKSKINS, ANGOLAS, TWEEDS and FLANNELS, of this Season's Patterns.
Also a new assortment of HOSIERY and SHIRTS of—
LONG CLOTH, with Linen FRONTS, &c.
Silk and Wool SHIRTS.
Merino, Cotton, Lambwool and Flannel DRAWERS and UNDER VESTS.
Merino, Cotton and Lambwool HALF HOSE.
LADIES' COTTON HOSE.
Dent's Kid and Driving GLOVES.
COLLARS, SCARFS, TIES, Chokers, BELTS and Gombrie HANDKERCHIEFS.
Christy's Silk, Shell and Felt HATS, in the newest Shapes.
Dawson's BOOTS and SHOES.
UMBRELLAS, Walking STICKS, Cloth and Hair BRUSHES.
PERFUMERY, Fancy SOAPS, and a great variety of other GOODS.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, February 5, 1868.

SAYLE & Co.
Victoria Exchange.
SOLE AGENTS of their NEW STOCK, specially prepared for the coming Season, forming the largest and best assortment of GOODS they have yet offered.

(Comprising)—
Black Glaces, Plain and Fancy Silks, at old prices, Linsey, Rep, Wool Plaids, and all the newest designs for Ladies' Dresses, a large assortment of Evening and Ball Dresses, Embroidered, Printed, and made-up Skirts. Crinolines, Muslin Embroidered and Laces of all descriptions. The newest styles in Dress Trimmings. Ladies' Trimmed Hats and Bonnets. Flowers, Feathers, Wreaths, etc. MANTLES and JACKETS of the newest designs and materials. The Millinery and Dress Making Departments are under the management of two experienced West End assistants. The Tailoring Department is now well supplied with every description of Cloth, for Autumn Wear, including Blue, Black and Scarlet Broad Cloths.
Blue and Black DOESKINS, Naval and Military CLOTHS, 3/4 and 6/4 TWEEDS and Doeskins, Witneys, Beavers, &c.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hosiery of all descriptions.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Kid Gloves from well-known Makers.
TIES and SCARFS in great variety.
Felt Tapestry and Brussels Carpets, Mating and Floor Cloths.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hosiery of all makes.
Latest Styles.
Household Linens of every description.
Black and Drab Felt HATS, Black and Drab Paris and Beaver Dress Hats.
Hongkong, September 24, 1867.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.
CUBIC FEET MANILA TIMBER, to arrive per French Barque "MARIA MORTON." Apply to
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1868.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.
JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, trading under the style or firm of AUGUSTINE HEARD and COMPANY, Plaintiffs.
HENRY W. HUBBELL, Defendant.

WHEREAS an action has been commenced in this Honorable Court at the suit of the above-named JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, against the above-named HENRY W. HUBBELL, to recover the sum of Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and Eighty-five Cents, for money received by the said HENRY W. HUBBELL for the use of the said Plaintiffs JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, and for money found to be due to the said Plaintiffs by the said Defendant on an account stated between them; and it being alleged that the said HENRY W. HUBBELL does not reside within this Island or its Dependencies, a Writ of Foreign Attachment has been issued, returnable on the Tenth day of March next, wherein J. S. WATSON, of Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, Master Mariner, is Garnishee.

Notice is hereby given, that if at any time before final judgment in this action the said HENRY W. HUBBELL, or any person on his behalf, will give the security and notice and file the appearance or plea required by the Ordinance of this Island, intitled "An Ordinance to provide for and regulate process in action at Law against persons absent from the colony," the said Attachment may be dissolved.

Dated this Fourteenth day of February, 1868.
HENRY C. CALDWELL,
Plaintiffs' Attorney.
Hongkong, February 18, 1868. 6ma

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.
JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, trading under the style or firm of AUGUSTINE HEARD and COMPANY, Plaintiffs.
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL, F. B. HILDETH, and RUSSELL STURGES, Defendants.

WHEREAS an action has been commenced in this Honorable Court at the suit of the above-named JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, against the above-named ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL, F. B. HILDETH, and RUSSELL STURGES, to recover the sum of Eight thousand five hundred and sixty-eight Dollars and three cents, for money received by the said ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL, F. B. HILDETH, and RUSSELL STURGES for the use of the said Plaintiffs JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT INGLES FRARON, and for money found to be due to the said Plaintiffs by the said Defendants on an account stated between them; and it being alleged that the said ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL, F. B. HILDETH, and RUSSELL STURGES do not reside within this Island or its Dependencies, a Writ of Foreign Attachment has been issued, returnable on the Tenth day of March next, wherein J. S. WATSON, of Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, Master Mariner, is Garnishee.

Notice is hereby given, that if at any time before final judgment in this action, the said ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL, F. B. HILDETH, and RUSSELL STURGES, or any persons on their behalf, will give the security and notice, and file the appearance or plea required by the Ordinance of this Island, intitled "An Ordinance to provide for and regulate process in action at Law against Persons absent from the colony," the said Attachment may be dissolved.

Dated this Twelfth day of February, 1868.
HENRY C. CALDWELL,
Plaintiffs' Attorney.
Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1868.

HONGKONG AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY.
NOTICE.
IN consequence of the indisposition of several of the Members, the Committee are compelled with much regret to POSTPONE till further notice the Performance advertised for the evening of Monday next, the 2nd March.
H. HARRINGTON NELSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 25, 1868.

CLUB LUSITANO DE HONGKONG, LIMITED.
THE Third ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders, under Clause 67 of the Articles of Association, will take place at the Premises of this Society (Shelley Street) on MONDAY, the 2nd March, at 5.30 P.M.
The two annual Directors, under Clause 81 of the Articles of Association, will be elected on that occasion.
L. J. DA SILVA,
Secretary.
Club Lusitano,
Hongkong, February 17, 1868. 2mar

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.
THE above SPORTS will take place on the Cricket Ground, on SATURDAY, the 29th February, commencing at 2 P.M.
Entrance for Allie Race, &c., &c., \$1.
Entrance for all others, &c., &c., \$1.
Entries will close at 5 P.M., on the 27th instant. A List is now lying at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

REGINALD D. STARKY,
Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, February 18, 1868. 20fe

NOTICE.
WE have today REMOVED to the Premises lately occupied by Messrs P. F. CAMA & Co., Corner of Webster Bazaar and Praya.
ARNOLD, KARBRO & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1868. 20fe

NOTICE.
OUR Shipchandlery Business has now been removed to Praya, No. 30 and 31, the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs PETERSEN BROTHERS & Co., Successors to Messrs JOHN STRUVE & Co.
FREEBEEKS, RODATZ & Co.
Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

REMOVAL.
THE Underigned has this day Removed their STORE from Praya East to the PREMISES No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD Central, formerly occupied by the CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.
MAEWEEN & Co.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1867.

LATEST SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Feb. 28, *Lesmana*, Brn. barque, 300, Steinhuck, Bangkok, Dec. 24, 6,000 piculs Rice.—E. SCHELLHASS & Co.
Feb. 28, *Indus*, Brit. barque, 1,319, G. W. Hicks, Southampton, Nov. 1, Machinery, Boilers, Coal, &c.—P. & O. Co.

DEPARTURES.
Feb. 28, *Caledonia*, for Whampoa.
28, *Art King*, for Shanghai.
PASSENGERS.
Per *Lesmana*,—2 Chinese.

CLEARED.
Peter Rohland, for Hilo.
Jens, for Singapore.
Seamens, for Guam.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The Bremen barque *Lesmana*, from Bangkok, reports the first part of passage in the Gulf of Siam fine weather and light southerly breeze, from thence in the Camerata passage had squally weather and rain, calms and variable winds, up to the Java Sea, then had wind from W. till crossing the line, when had calms and light N.E. winds till arrival in port. On 20th Jan. spoke the British ship *Wm. Chandler*, from Bangkok bound to Ningpo, 24 days out.

The British barque *Indus*, from Southampton, reports—Crossed the Equator on 31st Nov. in long. 32° W.; passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 27th Dec. in lat. 45° S.; met St. Paul's Island on 10th Jan.; came to Ombay passage on 4th Feb.; up to China sea fine weather and variable winds until arrival in port on 23rd Feb., 18 days out. On 14th Feb. spoke the British ship *Edisa*, from Calcutta bound to Hongkong, 45 days out, in lat. 31° N., long. 133.17 E.

QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1868.
OPIMUM.—Patna, New, 680
Old, 682
Benares, New, 675
Old, 677
Melwa, 715

Exchange.
Bank 6 months' sight, 4 1/2
Credits 6, 4 1/2
On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 219
Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 218 1/2
Shanghai, 3 days' sight Bank, Tls. 74
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., 11 1/2 per cent
Sycee, 8 1/2 per cent
Mexicans, 11 1/2 per cent
Gold Leaf, 23 50 per cent
Gold Day 98 touch, 23 50
English Sovereigns, 4 65
Australian Sovereigns, 7
Discount,
Gas Company Shares, 40 per Share
H. & W. per cent, Old, 25 per cent
Do. do. New, 15 per cent
H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, 15 per cent
Do. do. New, 20
Union Dock Shares, 27 1/2 per cent

Temperatures.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1868.
Barometer, 30.02
Attached Thermometer, 62
Dry Bulb, 62.0
Wet Bulb, 55.0
Maximum S. Rgr., 65.0
Minimum S. Rgr., 57.0
Max. Sun's Rays, 74
Minimum on Grass, 55.0
Precipitation, Rain, 0.60
24 hours, above, 0.00
Wind, S.W.
Force, 3
Cloud, 0
Ozone, 4
Wetness, Dull

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our columns are open to address the public on legitimate subjects, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents. All communications addressed must be accompanied by the sender, not necessarily for a guarantee of good faith.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1868.

NAVAL CALL.

AMONGST the subjects which mind of the average colonist calls, and pre-eminently calls. We do not, in this issue of the world, devote attention to naval matters; the of China do not columns per annum to the latest thing "out" in the hardships of Deputy Auxiliary Engineers, the respect evinced to civilian three stripes, or any of the topics which form the part of the naval mess-table. For, consider ourselves at a cross question which only the entire naval force Hongkong, but "ye proud" We plunge into the subject, and, in the absence of arguments, and in the absence of topics, be interested.

more than in England. A net of railways unites the collieries with all the great towns of the neighbourhood—Duisburg, Düsseldorf, Elberfeld, Barmen, Hagen, Iserlohn, Essen, Dortmund, Münster, Hamm, and Ruhrort. A steady flow takes place over the Rhine at Ruhrort into the 4½ and 6-ton boats, factories of Crefeld, Viersen, and Gladbach. At Ruhrort a vast harbor, formed by the confluence of the Ruhr with the Rhine, serves as port of shipment for the coal, which is towed up to Mayence and Mannheim in barges. At Duisburg shipments are made from the quays of the Rhine. The war of 1890 curtailed the facilities of transport. Fewer men from productive collieries were employed in the export of labour, and the harvest of coal was reduced. Ruhr collieries lost reduced 37,686; but through a more general use of machinery the production of the year still slightly increased, and reached 3,683,326 tons. New railways increase the output of produce, and year by year the area over which the export of Ruhr coal takes place is extended.

"It is urgent," writes Consul-General Oroszowski, "that we should have recent report to the Foreign Office these statements are taken, "that our trade should know that little or no English coal is now sent inland from Antwerp, Rotterdam, or any of the Dutch and Belgian harbours. The Ruhr collieries feed the great industrial centres of the Lower Rhenish provinces, and compete with England in the Dutch and North German markets. The Dutch and North German ports are the main outlet for new communities to the westward, and it is difficult to doubt that if they could rival England in the quality as well as in the price of coal they might push us hard enough in certain markets. They admit the superiority of English sea coal, but they may, and perhaps do, calculate on the possible exhaustion of Great Britain. It is scarcely possible to describe the pleasure and excitement which the English districts derive from the fact that in 1895 and 1896 Westphalia's exports carried with profit to the Belgian coal basins of Charleroi and Mons, and even over the frontier into France. It is a small matter at present, but France may not be able to get more out of her own fields, and England and Belgium be unable to deliver cheaper and in larger quantities." A few words about the miners of the Ruhr. The districts lying along the Rhine are not so happy as those of the interior. Their work is arduous, their wages are meagre, and they are not given much scope for mining as the business of their life. They are prone to change, and you will find the same hand turn to two or three different occupations in the same number of years. They have as yet shown no desire to combine or to form trades' unions. There is nothing organized among them, except a society for advancing necessities on uncertainly repaid advances payable at monthly intervals. The workers compete for employment among each other. The owners of the mines, on the contrary, competition that labour is too scarce, and threatens to be too dear, so that there are limits to the expansion of works. As for the coal mines themselves, there are none that exceed 150 fathoms in depth; some have double, most have but one shaft divided by boardings into halves for the passage of air and the conveyance of the coal. In the deepest workings the shafts, and often the necessary steam engines and boilers. The seams are numerous, and are worked at various levels from the same shaft. Some seams are as thin as 2½ feet; the thickest are rarely

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